



**A HANDSOME AVENUE TREE FOR WARM REGIONS**

(*Ficus sycomorus* L.; S. P. I. No. 13138)

In 1905 W. M. Longden sent a collection of fruit trees from Rhodesia, among which was a species of *Ficus*. After becoming established at the Miami Plant Introduction Garden, this soon developed into a handsome tree, remarkable for the golden color of its scurfy trunk, the vigor and rapidity of its growth, and the beauty of its foliage. To those familiar with the relatively slow development of most ornamental trees in the North, it may seem scarcely credible that the specimen shown above is only 13 years of age. (Photographed by Wilson Popenoe, Miami, Fla., May 22, 1916; P16753FS.)